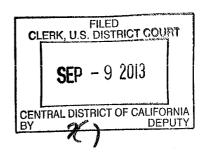
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,

NO. CR 12-905-R-3

[PROPOSED] FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AS TO DEFENDANT GODWIN ONYEABOR'S SENTENCING

GODWIN ONYEABOR,

v.

Defendant.

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On September 9, 2013, the Court conducted the sentencing hearing for defendant Godwin Onyeabor ("Onyeabor") in the abovecaptioned matter. Having considered Onyeabor's Pre-Sentence Investigation Report ("PSR") and subsequent addendum, Onyeabor's objections to the PSR (DE 212) and sentencing memorandum (DE 224), the United States's response to Onyeabor's objections and

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sentencing memorandum (DE 235), the files and records in this case, and such further argument that was presented by all parties at Onyeabor's sentencing, the Court makes the following findings of facts and conclusions of law:

- (1) On April 24, 2013, following a 7-day trial, Onyeabor was found guilty of offenses with statutory maximum terms of imprisonment of less than twenty (20) years, conspiracy to commit health care fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1349), health care fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1347), and conspiracy to pay illegal health care kickbacks (18 U.S.C. § 371). Accordingly, his base offense level is 6, pursuant to pursuant to USSG §2B1.1(a)(2);
- (2) Onyeabor's conduct resulted in an intended loss to the Medicare Program ("Medicare") of \$1,498,155. Accordingly, a 16-level enhancement applies, pursuant to §2B1.1(b)(1)(I);
- (3) Onyeabor was convicted of Federal health care offenses that involved a Government health care program and his conduct resulted in a loss greater than \$1,000,000 and less than \$7,000,000. Accordingly, a 2-level enhancement applies, pursuant to §2B1.1(b)(8)(I); and
- (4) Both leading up to and during his sentencing, Onyeabor never demonstrated acceptance of responsibility for his conduct.

Based upon the above, the Court calculated an offense level of 24, which, when coupled with a Criminal History Category of I, resulted in an advisory guidelines range of 51 to 63 months' imprisonment.

1 The Court further considered all those factors set forth in 2 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a), including 3 (1) the nature and circumstances of the offenses and the history and characteristics of Onyeabor; 4 5 (2) the need for the sentence imposed -6 (A) to reflect the seriousness of the offenses, to 7 promote respect for the law, and to provide just 8 punishment for the offenses; 9 (B) to afford adequate deterrence to criminal conduct; 10 and 11 (C) to protect the public from further crimes of 12 Onyeabor; 13 (3) the kinds of sentences available; and 14 (4) the need to avoid unwarranted sentence disparities among 15 defendants with similar records who have been found guilty of similar conduct. 16 17 In light of these factors, the Court imposed a low-end guidelines 18 sentence of 51 months' imprisonment 19 IT IS SO ORDERED. 20 21 THE HONORABLE MANUEL L. REAL UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE 22 23 24 Presented by: 25 26 O. Benton Curtis III 27 Assistant Chief Criminal Division / Fraud Section 28